## LUIS FIRPO PLANS ANOTHER INVASION OF U.S., TO FACE REAL TEST IN THE RING

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Boxing Sharps Say South American Heavyweight Must Acquire Ring Polish Before He Will Be Considered a Contender for Crown of Mr. Dempsey.

By FRANK G. MENKE

on the wrist is well on the road to recovery, Mrs. Lewis

Lewis is believed to have infected the wrist when he rubbed it against à ring post during a match in Kansas City.

of the circus press agent, but there is no discounting their

promise that the indoor sport sea-

teams report that the numher of men who have signed up

their teams excels anything

The urge to do something more than cheer and play the part of the habitual spectator has drawn out hundreds of newcomers who never dreamed of taking a try at any

form of varsity activity six months ago. Most of these converts to active competition will get their chance to prove themselves when

the conference basketball, swim-ming, wrestling and other indoor schedules open on January 5.

The boom in conference winter

of intercollegiate endeavor from basketball to chess. Universities that were content to take matters easy during the cold snaps of other years and limit their students to a

few forms of competition are now doing their best to make their win-

Only eight of the Conference col-

Indoor track competition for the "Big Ten" will not begin until January 20, when Chicago and Northwestern universities clash in

a dual meet at the Maroon gym. All of the other Conference speed kings and those of Notre Dame also will get their opportunity to face the starter by February 24 at

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**BIG TEN GETS** 

UIS FIRPO is coming back to the United States.

This news affects various gladiators and the hangers-on in pugdom in different ways.

Some of the boys are extremely anxious to get a chance to mingle with Mr. Firpo—and others aren't at all keen about it. One section has it all figured out that Luis will be the softest kind of soft picking, whereas the other outfit have a wholesome respect for the South American fist wiggler.

Firpo continues to be what mighting the termed "the unknown quantity of pugilism." He never has had a real test against a real fighter and, therefore, no one known positively just how good or how bad he may be. But it is an undeniable fact that Firpo, in the bouts against third raters in which he figured here, demonstrated three vital things:

1—Terrific punching power. 2—Ability to take a pile drives smash on the chin—and then come back as strong as ever. 3—A physique of which champions are made.

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SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 27.

—Ed "Strangler" Lewis, wrestler, who was operated on by his wife, Dr. Ada Morton Lewis for an abscess on the wrist is well on the road to recovery. Mrs. Lewis

FIRPO CAN TAKE IT.

Beyond Jack Dempsey there is no one who seems to be able to get as much dynamic fury into a blow as does Firpo. And beyond Dempsey and Bill Brennan, there is no one in the heavyweight ranks who ever has stood up after taking punches such as were rattled off the chin of the pride of South America.

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In physical make-up Firpo yields to none. He has powerful arms, marvelous legs, shoulders which betoken his hidden power, a huge chest and seems to be possessed of a natural fighting instinct. On top of all that he has courage, he certainly has gameriess and is amazingly fast.

But Firpo has a fault—and a bad one. Fortunately for him, it is a fault which can be corrected by s x months of teaching. And that fault is that he has almost no defense and so far has spurned efforts to teach him how to box. He depends upon the stoutness of his body to withstand enemy assaults.

Firpo has mingled in four or five battles recently and won every one with a knockout. His foremen all there is no discounting their

battles recently and won every one with a knockout. His foemen all would hit him sledgehammer blows would hit him stedgenammer blows in every battle, and yet Firpo wasn't son which opens next week will be knocked out and not merely survived the attacks, but punched and pounded his way to spectacular victory. But all this happened when pounded his way to spectacular vic-tory. But all this happened when Firpo was pitted merely against men who are little more than medimen who are little more than medi-ocre as heavyweights. It never happened against a man like Demp-sey or Wills or Brennan or Gibbons or Miske, or any of the other top-Ten" np- cridiron last October. In prac-

#### LACKS RING POLISH.

Firpo believes at this moment that he has a chance against Dempey. In hitting power, in speed and in ability to take it, he probably lsn't much inferior to the champion. But where he yields hugely—and where his vital weakness has manifested itself—is in his lack of boxing skill.

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It wouldn't take much more than
round for Dempsey, Wills, Gibbons or the others to tie up Firpo
into knots by outboxing and outgeneraling him. He wouldn't know
what it was all about until one of
those follows had crashed over those fellows had crashed over enough punches to flatten him. But if Firpo learned how to box.

cultivated the trickery of defense, as well as the science of attack, and going on at the various colleges in gathered in another six months, or ecent years.

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chance against Dempsey, none doing their best to make their win-against Wills, none against Gibbons ter curricula just as rounded and and probably none against Bill Bren- well finished as those of their sister And that's all because he has i nan. And that's all because he has not been tutored in boxing, and be-cause he has not had enough experi-Probably the most important in-

cause he has not had enough experience with tough men to season and qualify him for a tussle with the world's champion. When Firpo drops in upon these Conference prominence ten days that he will decide to permit some wise old man of the ring to school him in the intricacies of boxing. If he does that and is carefully and he does that and is carefully and skillfully matched through 1923, this unknown battler of nine months ago champion only a fortnight ago, has skillfully matched through 1923, this skillfully matched through 1923, this unknown battler of nine months ago may push Wills. Gibbons. Brennan and the others out of the spotlight and cause himself to be acclaimed: "This is the man qualifed to battle for a heavyweight champion ship of the world."

Minnesota, Illinois and Iowa have confined their teams to five tank meets apiece and Indiana and Purdue have limited themselves to four each.

#### Killinger to Accept Minor League Berth EIGHT WILL GO TO MAT.

HARRISBURG. Pa., Dec. 28.—
Glenn Killinger will play base ball
next season with Atlanta, of the
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Killinger is well satisfied with this move, as he is still negotiating with several Southern colleges, who are eager to obtain his services as a gridiron coach next season. The University of Alabama, the University of the South, and Georgia Tech are reported as anxious to add Glenn to their coaching laboratory in the second laborato as a gridiron coach next season.

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### WILL LOOSEN UP.

Now that Connie Mack has taken the elastic off his bankroll owner Baker of the Phillies is doing like-wise. It is understood that Baker not only gave four players for shortstop Sands of Salt Lake but threw in quite some cash to make it a deal-about \$10,000.

SANDS IS SHORT.

Sande, the Phillies' new shortstop, is five feet eight inches in height and weighs 165 pounds. He is righthanded at the bat and, being a shortstop, is of course, rightthe plants, Pillette, Johnson, Collins and Francis, the first four right handers and the last mentioned a southpaw, will be Ty Cobb's regular staff of twirlers. With the base hits that are concealed in the oats of the other members of the team a shortstop, is of course, righta shortstop, is of course, right they ought to win close to 100 handed in throwing. He is a star games. either as the starter or the "wheel in double plays.

### **BOSTON FANS KICK.**

Boston fans are up in arms again because of a report that the Yan-kees may get Southpaw Herb Penwith his trotters and pages during nock for Norman McMillan.





#### THE GLUTT WAS SUPERSTITIOUS of the Midwest all set to continue in their gymnasia, the good work that began on the

He Carried a Hoss-Shoe In Each Glove When Fighting Cross-Eyed Strangers.

W HEN The Glutt fought The Floorbumper, all the timekeeper had left of his watch was the pawnticket.

As the ticket was gaining 6 per cent interest every month, The Glutt refused to accept responsibility for hats and overcoats. So they managed to dig up an hourglass to time knockdowns and rounds.

After three rounds the floor got so slippery from The Glutt's greased hair that they had to break the hourglass and toss the sand on the linoleum. After that The Glutt and Floorbumper timed their rounds by

Sunrise started each round. Sunset ended it.

In two weeks The Glutt was so groggy that he prayed for rain. They fought so long that farmers gathered three long crops of full beards.

Always known as Roughtown's best dressed fugitive, The Glutt was the first fighter to wear spats over his gymnasium shoes.

They were pearl gray spats with purple polka dots. The Glutt was very superstitious. Some fighters have one rabbit foot hanging in their corner when they fight. But The Glutt never entered the ring without two rabbit's feet-in

He was never harmed while he wore those two rabbit's hoofs inside his boots. They kept him out of trouble.

He also thought that all exit signs were good fortune.

He never thought of fight-ing with an exit sign hanging in his corner.

He thought that punches were signs of ill omen and would go miles out of his way to avoid them.

He never liked to go into places that had ropes around

He was scared of meeting strangers with gloves on their

He thought canvas was good fortune. And never failed to touch it at every opportunity.

Although some folks will gig-gle in three octaves at The Glutt's superstition, The Glutt still claims it was his unswerving fidelity to these neutraliz-ing charms and hoodooes that helped him to become champion of Roughtown.

And there are many fighters today who graduated from The Glutt's class of 1892.

# Thoughts on 1922—and Time in General

When I was young, the days were long, The years were endless, drifting by; If I remember—right or wrong— I never knew how time could fly.

But lately I remember when A new year comes with youthful tread, I turn and look and turn again To find another year has fled.

Why, it was only yesterday When Nineteen Twenty-two was born, Yet now he's old and bent and gray, Forsaken, broken and forlorn.

Each year a little swifter than' The flying year which we knew last: Each year a little briefer span As we drift further from the past.

Years are like humans, after all. For both there is one simple plot, One destiny that must befall, To live and die and be forgot.

WO years ago this December Bill Brennan carried Jack Dempsey into the twelfth round. Bill has never been trimmed since that fight, but within the next two weeks he will be acting as trial horse for one of the most promising of the young challengers. If Floyd Johnson can whip Brennan he will be within at least one fight of a Dempsey match. He hasn't whipped Brennan yet, but if he does trim William there will be a decided flutter at last in the heavyweight

Bill Roper, of Princeton, asked for a good, hard schedule before his Harvard and Yale contests. Whereupon the committee handed him Notre Dame and the Navy. That's service.

### Not on the List

"Willard announces be will devote 1923 to forcing a battle with Jack Dempsey.

We have a number of plans outlined for the new year, but in looking over the list we can't seem to find any prearranged intention toward forcing Dempsey to swing for the chin.

We know of a number of better ways to devote 1923, even considering the useful adornment of the loser's end.

We understand that a number of golfers are planning to take lessons by music in order to develop better rhythm. If the music used is the modern jazz they should first hire an instructor with St. Vitus

Speaking of great coaches and fine influences in the same breath, who stands out beyond Alonzo A. Stagg, of Chicago? Stagg is one of the nonpareils, no matter in which field you may chart his career.

L. H. F.-Sarazen, Ouimet and Hagen all won the open at the age of twenty-one. McDermott was either twenty-one or twenty-two when he landed on top.

## The U.S. L. T. A.

We know of no one body in sport that has been run quite as smoothly and quite as efficiently as the United States Lawn Tennis Association, an organization that is about as close to 100 per cent as frail humanity can get. There has been, first of all, efficient and untiring work on the part of such sportsmen as Wrenn, Adee, Myrick, Washburn, Davis,

Williams, Hardy, Slocum and others.

And in the selection of two such field of executive secretaries as Paul Williams first, and then Ed Moss, the association has shown the keenest judgment in getting the right man for the right place.

### Resin Badinage

"You're the King of New York State," Said J. Kilbane to J. Dundee, "But take a look here at my slate— There's Illinois and Tennessee, There's Indiana, old Montana, California, Georgia, Penn, There's Ohio and Idaho, Maine, Oregon and back again; In Florida and Alabam' I'm still known as the King of Slam. In New York State your title's great; New Jersey, too, gives me the gate, But back and forth from camp to camp, Say, who's the champ?"

Johnny Kilbane, Johnny Wilson and "Battling" Siki will now arise and sing that popular melody, entitled "How they gonna take our crown's away till the referee's counted ten?"

As 1922 passes out Princeton and Cornell, both occupying the same seat, can be heard muttering: Hey, move over and quit your crowding."

Continued from Page 1, This Section of the Giants to succeed Charles

A. Stoneham. Stoneham owns the controlling interest in the Giants. He also owns a racing stable, and is said to hold an interest in the race track at Havana.

It is whispered in baseball cir-cles that Judge Kenesaw Moun-tain Landis dislikes the idea of a man combining the two interests. He wishes to divorce baseball

from racing.
This is a commendable idea. It is also very funny in this par-ticular instance. McGraw may not own a racing stable or any interest—now—in a race track, but no man follows the races more closely.

#### Murray to Get Third Crack At Ring Crown

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PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28.—Opportunity to win a ring title will knock for the third time at the fists of Battling Murray, of this city, next Monday afternoon, when he steps into the roped square at the Arena to exchange punches with Pancho Villa. American flyweight champion. Murray and Villa will clash in the final of five eightround bouts that make up the New Year's Day fistic program.

Figuring that he has a chance to put over a punch and knock the crown from Villa's head, Murray is busy training down to the flyweight limit. He plans to go into the battle at 112 pounds eight hours before the bout. In the event that Murray about land a clear predagate.

before the bout. In the event that Murray should land a sleep-produc-ing punch after making the re-quired weight limit, he would be-come the new United States boss of the flyweights.

### SORRY TO LOSE HIM.

"I was sorry to see Yellow Horse go, as he has the makings of a great pitcher," said Rabbit Maran-ville. "I don't think it will be long before he will be beak again. A before he will be beak again. A year or more in the minors will make wonderful changes in him, I am sure. I wish him the best of luck, and I know the experience will do him good."

BOUND FOR INDIANS. It is understood that Glenn Myatt, the Milwaukee catcher, is bound for Cleveland. The thing that is holding up announcement of the deal is the failure of the clubs to agree on the men Cleveclubs to agree on the men Cleve-land is going to turn over for the

## TWO MORE FOR LEWIS.

Willie Lewis, Philadelphia cueis added two more victims to his list at the Pickwick parlors yesterday defeating L. A. Dickinson, of Wal-ter Reed, in the afternoon, 100 to 70, and winning the evening play from Frank Kelleher, 100 to 96.



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# Tells

HOW FREE-FOR-ALIS FOLLOWED BATTLE OF ELLIOTT AND DUNN VERDICT

By JAMES J. CORBETT.

JIMMY ELLIOTT was a fighter who cut a wide swath in his tim for he was very tall, well built and possessed a dominating character. Though born in Ireland, he was brought up in this cit; and as he added on the years he also learned all the rough an tumble stunts one could desire. In his boyhood days he was known as one of the best street fighters in his vicinity, and naturally dress around him a large crowd of youthful admirers. Jimmy was alway called upon to defend the honor of his neighborhood, and his stead; string of successes made him a hero in the estimation of his companions.

age of manhood, there was nothing for Elliott to do but to become a professional fighter. His followers predicted a glowing future for him, which encouraged him that much more. When he won his first fight after one hour of taitling, his crowd proclaimed him a king. In his second encounter the situation wasn't so pleasing. He met Hen Winkle, and for ninety-nine rounds they fought desperately. Things weren't coming Elliott's way, so his friends broke into the ring, started a rough and tumble and the referee for at the first sign of the referee, for at the first sign of the spectal from the scene.

Now and then some fiery spirited admirer tries to assault an official, but it is so rare that it becomes the second admirer tries to assault an official, but it is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it, is or rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it, is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it, is so rare that it becomes the proposed admirer tries to assault an official, but it, for it burts his doesn't want it, for it burts his doesn't want it, so that unruly side of fighting it and the referee, for him, when the proposed and tumble and the referee, for him, when the proposed and tumble and the referee, for him, when the proposed and tumble and the referee, for him, when the proposed and tumble and the referee, for him, when the proposed and tumble and the PRIDE OF BROOKLYN.

called the fray a draw.

PRIDE OF BROOKLYN.

At that time Jim Dunn was the pride of Brooklyn and his admirers kept nagging the Elliott followers over the prowess of their man. The bickering reached a stage where it was necessary for the men to fight to settle the red-hot argument. After a long wrangling it was decided to hold the fight across the river in Jersey. When the men reached the scene of carnage a monster crowd greeted them. Dunn didn't overlook the slightest chance of protecting himself, for he brought along the larger crowd of roughs who were armed with cudgels and pistols.

The men fought twelve rounds in the most brutal fashion when the referee, "Thunderbolt" Norton, declared Dunn the winner on a foul. This was welcome news to Dunn's cohorts, for he would have surely lost. The Elliott mob was stunned by the decision and didn't hesitate to yell they were robbed. There were many scuffles after the fight, but no fatalities. The Elliott crowd taunted Dunn steadily to try and draw him into a return fight, but he didn't want it. He knew Elliott was his master and didn't intend to lost his laurejs.

HARD TO PICTURE.

It is hard for the fight fan to picture such rough work. To him it seems a fiction story of crowds breaking through the ropes and assaulting fighters and referee. It seems a fiction story of crowds breaking through the ropes and assaulting fighters and referee. It seems a fiction story of crowds breaking through the ropes and assaulting fighters and referee. It

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SNAPP TO PILOT ARDMORE.

ARDMORE, Okla, Dec. 27.—Red.

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 27.—Red Snapp, pilot of the Paris, Tex., was the custom in England for free-for-all fights and it continued in this country for years. With the sport legalized the tough is elimited as a same league next season.

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 27.-Red



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